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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) by Applicant (PTO/SB/08 equivalent) listing fourteen (14) references to be considered by the Examiner.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required. If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

In accordance with M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(c), Applicants hereby inform the Patent Office that U.S. Patent No. 6,712,486 (the '486 patent), from which the present application claims priority, has been the subject of previous litigation, and is currently involved in litigation. Further, U.S. Patent Nos. 6,578,986 (the '986 patent) and 6,846,093 (the '093 patent), which include subject matter similar to that in the present application, have been and are currently

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involved in litigation. Permlight Products, Inc., which is the owner by assignment of the '986 patent, the '093 patent, the '486 patent, and the present application, has filed multiple lawsuits for patent infringement. A discussion of each of the relevant lawsuits is provided below.

Permlight v. Gelcore

On March 28, 2005, Permlight filed suit against Gelcore, LLC alleging infringement of the '986 patent, the '093 patent, and the '486 patent. The suit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Southern Division, and was assigned Civil Action No. SACV05-287-CJC. Gelcore has not yet filed an Answer in the lawsuit.

Permlight v. Electraled

On February 11, 2005, Permlight filed suit against Electraled, Inc. alleging infringement of the '093 patent and the '486 patent. The suit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Southern Division, and was assigned Civil Action No. SACV05-146-DOC. Prior to the deadline for Electraled to file an Answer in the lawsuit, the parties negotiated a settlement in which Electraled received a license under the patents, and the lawsuit was dismissed on March 29, 2005.

Permlight v. U.S. L.E.D.

On February 20, 2004, Permlight filed suit against U.S. L.E.D., Ltd. alleging infringement of the '986 patent. The '986 patent is not related to the '486 patent through any priority claim, but the patents include some similar subject matter. The suit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Southern Division, and was assigned Civil Action No. SACV04-197-AHS. Soon after U.S.L.E.D. filed its Answer in the lawsuit, the parties negotiated a settlement in which U.S. L.E.D. licensed the patents, and the lawsuit was dismissed on July 30, 2004.

Prior to negotiating a license to settle the suit, U.S. L.E.D. accused Permlight of inequitable conduct. U.S. L.E.D. accused Permlight of submitting to the Patent Office an incomplete version of an article entitled "Thermal Management Considerations for Super Flux LEDs" during prosecution of the application that became the '986 patent. Permlight denied any

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inequitable conduct in connection with the submission. Further, upon learning of the accusation, Permlight obtained a complete copy of the article from the inventor, and submitted the complete article to the Patent Office in an IDS filed May 5, 2004 in connection with the application that became the '093 patent (which is a continuation of the '986 patent). The Examiner considered the complete version of this article prior to allowing the '093 patent claims.

The present application is a continuation of the '486 patent, and is unrelated to the '986 and '093 patents. Nevertheless, Permlight has already submitted the complete version of the "Thermal Management" article in this application in the IDS filed May 28, 2004 (item 32).

This Information Disclosure Statement includes a copy of U.S. L.E.D.'s Answer, in which U.S. L.E.D. accused Permlight of inequitable conduct. No documents in support of this accusation were ever filed by U.S. L.E.D.; instead, U.S. L.E.D. paid Permlight to license the patents, and the lawsuit was dismissed.

Permlight v. Sloan

On August 4, 2003, Permlight filed suit against The Sloan Company, Inc. alleging infringement of the '986 patent. The suit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Southern Division, and was assigned Civil Action No. SACV03-1216-AHS. Prior to the deadline for Sloan to file an Answer in the lawsuit, the parties negotiated a settlement, and the lawsuit was dismissed on November 18, 2003.

Statement Concerning One of the Submitted References

Applicants submitted U.S. patent No. 6,566,824 in the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 28, 2004. As Applicants stated during prosecution of the parent application (now the '486 patent), it is believed that the product depicted in the '824 patent may have been "made" (in the sense of 35 U.S.C. 102g) at least a week prior to the filing date of the regular application that became the '486 patent, from which the present application claims priority (namely, October 19, 2000). However, Applicant has no further information regarding when this product was made.

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All of the claims have been carefully reviewed and are believed to either be (1) fully distinguished from such product, or (2) entitled to priority from at least one of the provisional applications, which have filing dates of October 19, 1999 and April 27, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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